Starved Rock, Illinois State Park, contains about 1500 acres, located in La Salle County. Where La Salle and Tonti erected Fort St. Louis, 1681–1692; and where according to tradition, about 1770 the Illinois Indians besieged by a band of Pottawatomie Indians, to revenge the death of their friend Chief Pontiac, starved them and annihilated them. The name "Starved Rock" was derived from this historic event.

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